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WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

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Dear School Community,

Welcome to the Spring edition of the Hailey Hall newsletter. It has been a busy and productive term, and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

It was fantastic to see so many parents at our recent Learning Review Evening. The event was a great success, providing valuable discussions about pupils' progress and achievements. We truly appreciate your engagement and look forward to continuing this strong partnership.

It was fantastic to see our senior boys representing the school in a recent football competition. They went undefeated and were deserved winners. A great achievement and well done to all involved! As we approach the summer exam season, I want to wish the very best of luck to our Year 11 pupils. Their hard work and determination have been evident, and we are here to support them every step of the way.

Thank you for your continued support, and I hope you enjoy this edition of our newsletter.

Mr P Delamaine
Headteacher

GOODBYE

We say goodbye and send best wishes for the future to:

Toni Taylor – Teacher

WELCOME!

We welcome new staff to Hailey Hall School:

Sarah Crabtree – Teacher
Laura Miller Bruton – Teaching Assistant
Adam Brown – Teaching Assistant
Eric Williamson – Driver

QR Code to access curriculum information on the website

Please scan the QR code for quick access to what your child is learning

What my child is learning



Scanning the QR code will take you to the home page of our website



Please click on the three bars and select from the drop down - What my child is learning and then select your subject of choice

Parents / Carers can quickly access curriculum information on the school website by scanning the QR code below. This will take you to the home page of our website. Next click on the 3 bars and select 'What my child is learning' and the subject of your choice. Alternatively, you can click on the 'Curriculum' tab and looking under the drop-down listing for KS3 subjects: Years 7 to 9, and KS4: subjects: Years 10 to 11.

Children's Mental Health Week 9th – 15th February 2026

We celebrated Children's Mental Health Week from 9th to 16th February 2026.



This year, the theme was "This Is My Place".

The aim is focusing on fostering a sense of belonging, safety, and inclusion for young people at home, school, and in the community. Organized by Place2Be, the campaign provides free resources, including assembly guides and activities, to help children explore their emotions and strengthen relationships.

Key Aspects of "This is My Place" (2026):

- **Belonging & Identity:** The theme aims to help children feel they belong and have a voice, promoting emotional security and self-awareness.
- **Inclusion:** It encourages creating nurturing environments where no one feels left out.
- **Resources:** Place2Be offers free, age-appropriate resources for schools, parents, and youth groups, including a "This Is My Place Map Activity" to help children identify places where they feel safe and comfortable.
- **Actionable Steps:** The campaign encourages finding supportive spaces, building positive relationships, and encouraging open conversations about feelings.

If you're a young person struggling with any kind of mental health worries, reach out in a way that suits you.

Place2Be is a children's mental health charity with over 30 years' experience working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools.

They provide mental health support in schools through one-to-one and group counselling using tried and tested methods backed by research. In addition, we also offer expert training and professional qualifications.

From speaking to someone or grabbing some info, to webchat or text, there's people ready and waiting to help

More information can be found at www.place2be.org.uk

During Children's Mental Health Week 2026 pupils created expressive paintings, here are some examples of finished artwork which beautifully reflect the children's voices and creativity.



and skill and expresses important ideas and emotions in meaningful ways.

Here are some samples of our Year 7 pupil's artwork pieces.



Year 10 visit to GSK, Stevenage 4th February 2026



Pupils' Artwork Pieces

Art provides a fantastic outlet for many of our pupils to showcase their remarkable creativity. Art is brought to life through imagination

On Wednesday, 4th February 2026, Year 10 students from Hailey Hall School were taken by school minibus to visit GlaxoSmithKline (GSK), a major international pharmaceutical company based in Stevenage.

This visit reflects Hailey Hall's ongoing commitment to providing meaningful encounters with employers and workplaces, supporting students in developing an understanding of future education and career pathways.

The visit directly links to Gatsby Benchmark 5 – Encounters with Employers and Employees and Gatsby Benchmark 6 – Experiences of Workplaces.

Upon arrival, students were welcomed in the reception area by Harry Hickey, Senior Scientist – Discovery Biology and Screening (DBS) and Stevenage STEM Co-Lead, alongside three additional members of GSK staff who supported the visit.

The visit began with a guided tour of the GSK buildings, where students were able to observe working laboratories and scientists carrying out their roles. This provided valuable insight into a real-life STEM working environment. Students were then split into two groups and took part in a range of science-based activities designed to promote teamwork and collaborative work.

The activities focused on the human body, giving students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of organs, bones, and muscles. This linked well to subjects they are currently studying, including BTEC Sport, Nutrition, and science-related topics, helping students see how classroom learning can be applied in real-world contexts.

To conclude the visit, students had the opportunity to speak directly with GSK staff about individual education pathways, career journeys, and progression into roles within a large international organisation.



One member of staff spoke about having recently started the first year of an apprenticeship, sharing expectations and experiences of the programme. Staff explained their roles in detail and responded to student questions.

Students engaged positively throughout the visit, asking thoughtful and appropriate questions, and gained valuable insight into how STEM subjects can lead to a wide range of careers. This experience will support students as they return to Hailey Hall School and continue planning their future education and career pathways.

Thank you to Hailey Hall staff, Shelley Long and Tom Clark for their support in making this visit possible.

Mr Peter Gregory
Careers Lead
Hailey Hall School

Year 10 – Pre Work Experience Interviews – 24th February 2026

Gatsby Benchmark 5 – Encounters with Employers and Employees

On Tuesday 24th February 2026, Hailey Hall School welcomed Julie Tripney from Services for Young

People to support our Year 10 students with preparations for their Work Experience Week, which will take place on Monday 29th June – Friday 3rd July 2026.



Julie met with each student individually for an informal discussion in the Careers Office.

These meetings provided students with the opportunity to talk about:

- Their career interests and future aspirations
- Preferred types of placements
- Location and travel considerations
- Any additional support needs

All parents and carers have previously received a letter outlining expectations for Work Experience Week and have been asked to support their child in sourcing a suitable placement. In recent years, we have found that students who are actively involved in securing their own placements are more likely to value and engage positively with the experience.

However, support remains available. Julie recorded notes during each meeting and will retain this information should the school need to request assistance in sourcing a placement where families are unable to secure one independently.

The morning was productive and purposeful. Students engaged well in their conversations and demonstrated thoughtful consideration of their future pathways.

Once a placement has been confirmed, Julie will carry out the required Health and Safety checks. This ensures:

- The workplace environment is safe
- Appropriate insurance is in place
- Safeguarding requirements are met

This process helps ensure that all students can participate in Work Experience Week safely and confidently.

We look forward to supporting our Year 10 students as they prepare for this important step in their careers journey.

Mr Peter Gregory
Careers Lead
Hailey Hall School

Pete Gregory – Careers Lead at Hailey Hall School

Hailey Hall School is committed to providing students, parents and carers with comprehensive information on career and educational pathways. The school has a dedicated Careers webpage that offers advice, resources and guidance to help students explore various professions and understand the steps required to pursue them.

Understanding current Labour Market Information (LMI) is crucial for making informed career decisions. For insights specific to Hertfordshire and Essex, the Hertfordshire Opportunities Portal provides valuable data on the local job market. Additionally, the Office

for National Statistics offers detailed profiles for regions like East Hertfordshire, highlighting employment rates and economic activity.

The website also provides details about recent trips and visitors to Hailey Hall related to career and educational pathways, demonstrating the school's dedication to supporting students with their post-16 concerns.

For the most current and detailed information, please visit the school website, careers tab or contact:

Mr Peter Gregory
Careers Lead at Hailey Hall School

Email:
pgregory@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk
Phone: 01992 465208 ext 220

Hertfordshire Police onsite school session on criminal exploitation – 3rd March 2026

Hailey Hall School are working together with Hertfordshire Police and partner agencies to educate and support our students.

On Tuesday 3rd March 2026 and Tuesday 24th March 2026, Hertfordshire Police attended school to deliver a session on criminal exploitation. The learning outcomes for this educational session was to raise awareness around the reality of criminal exploitation, gangs, county lines, and knife crime.

In all the sessions that took place, we made sure your child knows who to ask and where to go for more support after the session. If they are worried, they will be listened to and supported by the school.

For more information on the signs of exploitation and how to report crime, please visit the links below.

You may find these useful when talking about the lessons with your child:

www.herts.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

www.pshe-association.org.uk/policing

www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/helping-children

www.fearless.org/en/give-info

crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

<https://riseabove.org.uk>

Thank you.

National Careers Week – 3rd March to 8th March



Hailey Hall School celebrated National Careers Week.

Activities included:

- **DT:** Pupils attended a workshop exploring careers in design and technology and

the qualifications gained from studying DT

- **English:** Pupils completed an activity booklet related to career pathways
- **Music:** Pupils participated in discussions about careers within the music industry
- **Maths:** Pupils created mind maps showcasing jobs that use maths skills and their typical salaries.

Year 9 and Year 10 Visit by Balfour Beatty (Construction) – 10th March 2026

GB-5 – Encounters with employers and employees

Today, as part of Hailey Hall School's ongoing commitment to supporting students in meeting professionals from a range of industries, students had the opportunity to engage with representatives working within the construction sector.

This provided a valuable opportunity for meaningful interaction and discussions about



possible education routes and future career pathways.

The session began with introductions from Amy and Jim, who work for Balfour Beatty. They explained their roles within the company and delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the organisation, the types of construction projects they are currently involved in, and the history of the company.

Jim and Amy also discussed their own career journeys and how they progressed into their current roles. They highlighted the different opportunities available to school leavers, including further education at college, apprenticeships, and other training routes within the construction industry.

Following the presentation, students took part in a practical activity. Working together in small groups and using bricks as basic props, they were tasked with discussing and designing how to build a simple BBQ structure within a set time frame.

This activity encouraged students to develop important workplace skills such as teamwork, communication, problem-solving, and project planning, while working collaboratively to produce a practical design.

The students engaged well in the activity, demonstrating good teamwork and creativity as they discussed their ideas and worked together to complete the task.

Special thanks go to Amy and Jim, who will be returning to Hailey Hall in the coming months to speak with other year groups and engage in similar discussions and activities to support students when considering their Post-16 options.

Mr Peter Gregory
Careers Lead
Hailey Hall School

Year 10 & Year 11 School Success at the Basketball and Football Tournaments – 12th March 2026

The Senior Boys in Year 10 and Year 11 from Hailey Hall School successfully went unbeaten for the day at the Herts Inter-School Basketball Competition in

February. The boys worked hard training for a month before the competition during Enrichment time and this hard work paid off on the day with the boys winning 5 matches and drawing one.

The Boys effort and determination was fantastic all day and they were a credit to the school.

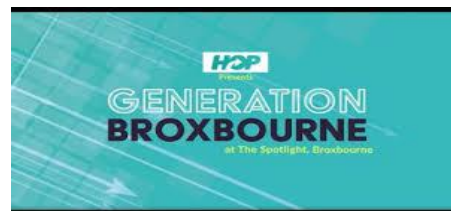
The Senior Boys in Year 10 and Year 11 success continued in March with them being crowned Champions at the Inter School Herts Football Tournament hosted at Stevenage Borough FC Development centre. The boys played 9 matches on the day winning all 9 scoring 28 goals and conceding 1 goal all day.

The teamwork and togetherness the boys showed was outstanding. Their behaviour and sportsmanship from all the team excellent as well.

Tom Clark
PE Teacher

Year 10 visit to The Spotlight, Hoddesdon Re Generation Broxbourne Careers Fair – 17th March 2026

Gatsby Benchmark – 5 “Encounters with Employers and Employees”



Year 10 students were taken by school transport to The Spotlight in Hoddesdon to attend this year's "Generation Broxbourne" event, organised by the Careers and Enterprise Company.

This careers fair brought together a wide range of local and national organisations; all focused on supporting young people with

guidance on pathways into different careers.

Students were able to explore the venue in a calm and structured environment. A quieter time slot was arranged, with only two other small groups recognising that some students may find busy and noisy settings overwhelming. This thoughtful arrangement enabled all students to engage more comfortably and confidently with exhibitors.

A diverse range of sectors were represented, including education (local colleges and universities), construction, finance (banking and mortgage services), childcare, information technology, uniformed services such as the police and fire service, as well as organisations including Hertfordshire Zoo, Serco, and Elstree Studios. This variety gave students valuable insight into different industries, allowing them to ask questions and begin thinking about their future career options.

Overall, students were engaged, inquisitive, and benefited from the opportunity to interact directly with employers and education providers in a supportive setting. Exhibitors also provided positive feedback regarding the students' behaviour and engagement throughout the event.

Thank you to Jack O'Sullivan and Tom Clarke for supporting this visit.



Mr Peter Gregory
Careers Lead
Hailey Hall School

How to help your child manage exam stress



Exams are often a source of stress for young people.

Youngminds have information available to help parents/carers support children to help them cope with exam pressure and achieve their potential, while also protecting their mental health.

You can find information available on their blog at the following link:

www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/blog/how-to-help-your-child-manage-exam-stress

Youngminds also have lots of other information and advice for young people and parents you may find helpful.

Look at their website to view their full range of advice pages.

Internet Safety and Online Behaviour

We want to highlight the importance of keeping children safe online.

We urge all parents to play an active role in monitoring their child's online activity. It is every parent's responsibility to ensure their child is using the internet safely, respectfully and appropriately.

Here are some key steps you can take:

- ➔ Regularly check your child's online interactions and group memberships.
- ➔ Discuss with them the importance of kindness and respect online.
- ➔ Set clear boundaries on social media usage and screen time.
- ➔ Encourage them to report any concerning behavior to a trusted adult.
- ➔ Use parental controls where necessary to help manage online activity.
- ➔ Further support can be found at

www.saferinternet.org.uk

www.internetmatters.org

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety

By working together, we can create a safer and more positive environment both online and in school. Thank you for your support in helping to keep all our pupils safe online.

Hailey Hall School supporting Young Carers

We are committed to supporting



the wellbeing of all our students, including young carers.

A young carer is someone under 18 who helps look after a family member due to illness, disability, mental health needs, or substance misuse. This might include helping with daily tasks, attending appointments, or offering emotional support.

While this care is important, it can sometimes affect a young person's wellbeing, school life, and friendships. Support is available, and you are not alone.

Getting Support

If your child is helping care for someone at home or a family member in their own home, there are services that can help:

- In Hertfordshire: Carers in Hertfordshire
<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/youngcarers>
- In Essex: Action for Family Carers
<https://youth.essex.gov.uk/young-people/young-carers/>

These services offer practical, emotional, and social support to help young carers feel heard and supported.

You can contact the school for a referral or apply directly using the links above. If your child is already

registered as a young carer, please let us know so we can ensure they are fully supported in school.

Attendance Breakfast – 23rd March 2026



On Monday 23rd March pupils from 9A and 11A were treated to a cooked breakfast made for them by Mrs Shelley Long and Mr Aldiss to congratulate them on their attendance this term.

Pupils enjoyed Mr Aldiss legendary fried eggs alongside sausages, bacon, beans, hash browns and juice.

What a great way to start a Monday morning!

Reward Trip Driving Simulator – 26th March 2026

We had a fantastic day at Teamworks, where students took part in an exciting driving simulator challenge. The competition was fierce, with Bailey overtaking Tom P on the last lap to race to victory!

All of the boys represented the school brilliantly, showing great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout, and were a pleasure to take out.

After a well-earned lunch at the services, we also took a moment to celebrate a pupils' birthday, with everyone joining in to sing Happy Birthday — a lovely highlight of the day.

We enjoyed a scenic drive back, with some students finishing the day at the park to burn off any remaining energy.



Reward Trip London – 26th March 2026

What a lovely sunny day for a trip! The London-bound cohort were lucky enough to grab a lift to Broxbourne Station, where we jumped on a Stratford train.

Reward Celebration Trips – 26th March 2026

Pupils were rewarded with day trips to recognise their efforts made over Spring Term 2026 at Hailey Hall School.

We jumped on the Central Line for two stops and soon arrived at our destination, the V&A Museum of Childhood. This was a pure delight, not least because it was a trip down memory lane for both staff and pupils. There are toys to play with, and a genuine insight into the toys of the past, from doll houses, Star Wars toys and Little Tykes cars! Everyone had a lovely time!

Then we popped back on the train and headed to Liverpool Street, where in an effort to add to the street cred of our cohort, we trotted off to Brick Lane via Spitalfields Market. Then it was time for the inevitable McDonalds and back on the train home - a good time was had by all!

Scores and performance were displayed on a live scoreboard, which encouraged friendly competition and motivated students to improve both their own results and those of their peers.

Soft drinks were available throughout the visit, and all students were provided with a choice of freshly made pizza prepared on-site.

The students behaved well throughout the trip and clearly enjoyed the experience. Many commented on how much they had enjoyed the visit and expressed an interest in returning in the future.

Special Thanks to Jack O'Sullivan, Tom Clark, and Sarah Stringer for their support in making this trip a success.

for lunch, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Attendance



If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please inform the school office on the first day of absence, and each subsequent morning by phone **01992 465208** or email **reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk** providing the reason for your child's absence.

Reward Trip Skcratch 18 Harlow Leisure Zone – 26th March 2026



This end-of-term rewards trip was awarded to selected students who had earned sufficient points throughout the term.

Skratch 18 offers a range of interactive activities, including golf simulators, football skills challenges on large screens, Fairground-style games and various versions of electronic darts.

Students were split into small groups and allocated separate screen areas, allowing them to choose which activities they wished to participate in.

Mr Peter Gregory Hailey Hall School



Netflix and Pizza lunch

The Netflix reward gave pupils a fun day watching films of their own choice, along with takeaway pizza

Lost Property

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. Labelled belongings can be easily returned to the owner if lost.

Any unnamed and unclaimed items remaining at the end of each term will be disposed of.

School Uniform Ordering

If your child needs any school uniform for the start of next term, please contact the school Reception by phone or email with your request, and we will respond as soon as possible.

The school also has a limited selection of second-hand uniform.

If you are interested in purchasing any uniform items, please contact us via email at reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk or by calling 01992 465208 we would be happy to assist you.

We also welcome donations of pre-loved school uniform in good condition for resale.

Achievement Awards Spring Term 2026



Congratulations to those pupils who have won awards this Spring Term 2026.

Achievement Awards – Spring 2026

SUBJECT	NOMINATION
PLATINUM AWARD	Samuel
HEADTEACHER'S AWARD	Emmett
DEPUTY HEADTEACHER'S AWARD	Tiger
DT/RESISTANT MATERIALS KS3 DT/RESISTANT MATERIALS KS4	Cayden Mickey
SCIENCE KS3 SCIENCE KS4	Cegn Jack
PE KS3 PE KS4	Cayden Kaiden
ENGLISH KS3 ENGLISH KS4	Cayden Hayden
MATHS KS3 MATHS KS4	Alfie Archie
MUSIC KS3 MUSIC KS4	Emmett Rhys
FOOD TECH KS3 FOOD TECH KS4	Cayden Daniel
HUMANITIES KS3 HUMANITIES KS4	Liam Lelan
ART AWARD KS3 ART AWARD KS4	Harry Freddie
EMPLOYABILITY KS4	Lelan
ICT AWARD KS3 ICT AWARDS KS4	William Mikey
PHSE KS3 PHSE KS4	Jack Lucas
1:1 INTERVENTION	Cayden
FOREST SCHOOL	Cyrus
ATTENDANCE AWARDS	
Y7 Harley / Samuel Alfie	Y8
Y9 Ethan / Bobby Braiden / Alfie Harry / Joshua Jason / Luke William	Y10 Freddie Sean
Y11 Bradley / Michael / Owen / Kaiden	

Important Dates for your diary

School Holiday & Term Dates

☀ Summer Term 2026

All pupils return 13th Apr

★ Bank Holiday (School Closed) 4th May

■ Half Term 25th May – 29th May

All pupils return 1st June

End of term 23rd July (School closes 1pm)

🍁 Autumn Term 2026

INSET Day 1st Sep

Year 7 pupils only 2nd Sep

All pupils return 3rd Sep

■ Half Term 19th Oct – 31st Oct

All pupils return 2nd Nov

End of term 18th Dec (School closes 1pm)

🎄 Christmas Holidays 21st Dec – 1st Jan

🌸 Spring Term 2027

All pupils return 4th Jan

■ Half Term 15th Feb – 19th Feb

All pupils return 22nd Feb

End of term 25th Mar (School closes 1pm)

🐣 Easter Holidays 26th Mar – 9th Apr

☀ Summer Term 2027

All pupils return 12th Apr

★ Bank Holiday (School Closed) 3rd May

■ Half Term 31st May – 4th Jun

All pupils return 7th June

End of term 22nd July (School closes at 1pm)

⚠ Reminders for Parents Important messages home

Please make sure we have your up-to-date emergency contact details on file.

If any of your phone numbers, email addresses, home address details etc. have changed, it is important you update the school office immediately by emailing reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk

Reception Team Contact Information

Our school Reception team are happy to help with any enquiries.

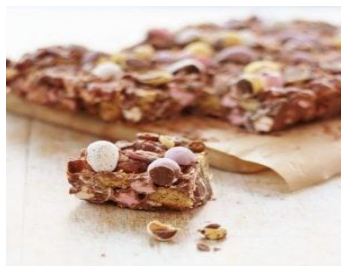
☎ 01992 465208

✉ reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk

🌐 www.haileyhall.herts.sch.uk

🍰 Tasty Treat to try this Easter – Mini Egg Rocky Road

Need a super simple, 4 ingredients, no bake Easter treat that's perfect for making with kids and takes less than 10 minutes to make? Try this.....



Ingredients:

- 400g milk chocolate melted
- 100g digestive biscuits bashed into small pieces
- 200g mini eggs bashed into small pieces

- 100g mini marshmallows

Method:

1. Melt the chocolate in a glass bowl over a pan of just boiled water. Do not allow any water to touch the chocolate.
2. Bash the biscuits in a plastic sandwich bag using a rolling pin and add to the melted chocolate.
3. Bash the mini eggs in a plastic sandwich bag using a rolling pin and add to the bowl.
4. Add the mini marshmallows to the bowl and stir everything together.
5. Transfer the mixture to a tin lined with baking paper or foil.
6. Spread the mixture out and then press down using a large spoon.
7. Chill for 1 hour in the fridge, then remove and cut into 24 squares.



From all the staff at Hailey Hall School, we wish you a Happy Easter

We look forward to seeing you all return to school on Monday 13th April 2026.